Our inbreeding programme has narrowed down to 6 inbred lines, originating from different sources. These are adaptable to our local growing conditions in England. I have now combined these reciprocally as F_1 single-crosses which will be tested here in 1954. These hybrids are the first to be raised from sweet corn inbreds that have been selected for growing in England.

The soil block experiments have been analysed. It is clear that they are the solution to frit fly attacks and poor germination from early sowings in this country.

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